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**CERTAIN TEMPORARY ORDERS IN A SUIT FOR  
MODIFICATION OF AN ORDER IN A SUIT AFFECTING THE  
PARENT-CHILD RELATIONSHIP**

**CHAPTER 397**

H.B. No. 1500

**AN ACT**

**relating to certain temporary orders in a suit for modification of an order in a suit affecting the parent-child relationship.**

*Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Texas:*

SECTION 1. Section 156.006, Family Code, is amended by adding Subsection (b–1) to read as follows:

*(b–1) A person who files a motion for a temporary order authorized by Subsection (b)(1) shall execute and attach to the motion an affidavit on the person's personal knowledge or the person's belief based on representations made to the person by a person with personal knowledge that contains facts that support the allegation that the child's present circumstances would significantly impair the child's physical health or emotional development. The court shall deny the relief sought and decline to schedule a hearing on the motion unless the court determines, on the basis of the affidavit, that facts adequate to support the allegation are stated in the affidavit. If the court determines that the facts stated are adequate to support the allegation, the court shall set a time and place for the hearing.*

SECTION 2. Section 156.006(b–1), Family Code, as added by this Act, applies to a suit for modification filed on or after the effective date of this Act. A suit for modification filed before that date is governed by the law in effect on the date the suit was filed, and the former law is continued in effect for that purpose.

SECTION 3. This Act takes effect September 1, 2015.

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**DONATION OF SICK LEAVE BY STATE EMPLOYEES**

**CHAPTER 398**

H.B. No. 1771

**AN ACT**

**relating to the donation of sick leave by state employees.**

*Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Texas:*

SECTION 1. Subchapter G, Chapter 661, Government Code, is amended by adding Section 661.207 to read as follows:

*Sec. 661.207. DONATION OF SICK LEAVE. (a) An employee may donate any amount of the employee's accrued sick leave to another employee who:*

- (1) is employed in the same state agency as the donor employee; and*
- (2) has exhausted the employee's sick leave, including any time the individual may be eligible to withdraw from a sick leave pool.*
- (b) An employee may not provide or receive remuneration or a gift in exchange for a sick leave donation under this section.*
- (c) An employee who receives donated sick leave under this section may not:*
  - (1) use sick leave donated to the employee under this section except as provided by Sections 661.202(d) and (e); or*
  - (2) notwithstanding any other law, receive service credit in the Employees Retirement System of Texas for any sick leave donated to the employee under this section that is unused on the last day of that employee's employment.*
- (d) In this section, "employee" and "state agency" have the meanings assigned by Section 661.001.*

SECTION 2. This Act takes effect September 1, 2015.

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**JOB PERFORMANCE ON BEHALF OF A FIRE FIGHTER OR  
POLICE OFFICER WHO IS RECOVERING FROM AN OFF-  
DUTY INJURY**

**CHAPTER 399**

H.B. No. 1790

**AN ACT**

**relating to job performance on behalf of a fire fighter or police officer who is recovering from an off-duty injury.**

*Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Texas:*

SECTION 1. Section 143.073(d), Local Government Code, is amended to read as follows:

(d) If a fire fighter or police officer is temporarily disabled by an injury or illness that is not related to the person's line of duty, the person may:

- (1) use all sick leave, vacation time, and other accumulated time before the person is placed on temporary leave; or*
- (2) have another fire fighter or police officer volunteer to do the person's work while the person is temporarily disabled by the injury or illness.*

SECTION 2. This Act takes effect September 1, 2015.

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